2015 ESTATE THREE GRACES

HIRONDELLE VINEYARD

STAGS LEAP DISTRICT, NAPA VALLEY





APPELLATION: COMPOSITION: AGING: ACID: pH: ALCOHOL: HARVESTED: BOTTLED:	Stags Leap District, Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot 100% New French Oak 6.1 g/L 3.7 14.5% September 2 - 21, 2015 November 28, 2017
WINEMAKER'S INSIGHT	The Three Graces always comprises the best fruit from our Hirondelle Vineyard, and this vintage offered a particularly exceptional selection. Full, robust, and extremely smooth, this beautifully balanced blend coats the palate with layers of fruit and spice.
HARVEST	2015 was a very early harvest. In winter months, a series of rains contributed to significant shatter (the destruction of grapes during the flowering stage). The resulting low fruit yields contributed to concentrated flavors in each cluster of grapes, enabling us to create some of the most concentrated wines we have produced in many years.
HISTORY	Clos du Val, French for "small vineyard estate of a small valley," was founded in 1972 in the renowned Stags Leap District. The winery was first recognized for its Cabernet Sauvignon at the famed Judgment of Paris in 1976, establishing its place as one of Napa Valley's most iconic winery estates. Still family-owned today, Clos du Val farms two estate vineyards in the Stags Leap District and Yountville appellations and continues to craft wines of balance and complexity, showcasing the fruit from the outstanding terroir on which our estate lies.